Recharging of ground water

1480. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any project for recharging ground water continuously for a better ground water management; and

(b) if so, the present status of the project alongwith details of the fund allotted and utilized State-wise and year-wise during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI): (a) and (b) The Government has prepared a Central Sector Scheme of Recharge to Ground Water at an estimated cost of Rs. 150 crore for inclusion in the X Five Year Plan. The scheme is at consultation state.

The Central Ground Water Board, under the Ministry of Water Resources had also implemented demonstrative rain water harvesting and recharge projects in the country, under its Central Sector Scheme for Study of Recharge to Ground Water on "pilot basis" during IX Five Year Plan at a cost of Rs. 23.48 crore. Under this scheme, a total number of 174 projects were approved for implementation in 27 States/Union Territories. State-wise details of funds approved under the scheme during the last two years are given in enclosed Statement.

Statement

Details of funds approved under the Central Ground Water Board's scheme on study of recharge to ground water during last two years

S.No.	Name of State/Union Territory	Approved Funds (Rs. in Lakh)	
		2000-2001	2001-2002
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	38.50	9.50
2.	Assam	30.00	20.00
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	-	20.00
4.	Bihar	2.00	3.84

1	2	3	4
5.	Gujarat	8.00	9.05
6.	Haryana	15.00	3.00
7.	Himachal Pradesh	44.87	17.11
8.	Jharkhand	—	25.73
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	32.58	26.36
10.	Karnataka	7.00	21.75
11.	Kerala	56.80	34.95
12.	Madhya Pradesh	11.00	4.16
13.	Maharashtra	37.01	7.30
14.	Meghalaya	10.00	10.32
15.	Mozoram	—	14.00
16.	Nagaland	25.00	60.00
17.	Orissa	—	679.50
18.	Punjab	137.57	112.24
19.	Rajasthan	33.07	31.59
20.	Tamil Nadu	77.33	69.81
21.	Uttar Pradesh	2.00	68.97
22.	Uttaranchal	2.00	—
23.	West Bengal	27.88	15.30
24.	NCT of Delhi	6.00	57.02
25.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	—	8.39
26.	Lakshadweep	—	8.00
27.	Chandigarh	7.23	52.00

Incentives for water harvesting

1481. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government were considering to come out with incentives for encouraging water harvesting;